

December 19, 2007

## NOTICE OF TIMBER FOR SALE

The State of Iowa is offering approximately **85,307** board feet (Scribner) of timber in **553** trees located on the Stephens State Forest. Trees are marked with **blue** paint. The trees are located on areas as shown on the enclosed maps. Bidders should satisfy themselves by examination as to the quality and quantity of timber offered. The timber is accessible through state land.

Species	Number of Trees by Diameter			BF Volume
	16" - 18"	20" -24"	26" +	
Red oak	101	120	42	50,580
White oak	180	63	16	29,747
Walnut	5	6	0	2,120
Other	12	7	1	2,860
<b>Total</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>85,307</b>

\* “Other” species include hickory, basswood, hackberry, and ash

\* There are an additional 145 cull trees marked with a blue “X”. These trees may be harvested, but are not included in the BF volume of the sale.

Sealed bids will be received until **3 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 23, 2008** at which time bids will be opened. The sale will be awarded to the highest bidder, except that the seller reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Mail or deliver bids to **Jeff Goerndt, Area Forester, Stephens State Forest, 1111 N. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Chariton, IA. 50049. Phone (641) 774-4559.** Telephoned bids will not be accepted. Bids will be opened at the forest headquarters.

The successful bidder must execute a timber sale contract with the State of Iowa by **December 28, 2007**, and **make full payment at that time with no exceptions.**

Trees must be removed by **March 31, 2009**. Liability insurance is required. Buyers must be bonded.

Special Conditions.

1. Jeff Goerndt, Area Forester, will be notified when the logger is operating on the area.
2. Logging and transporting of logs will be permitted only when the ground is firm.
3. Trails and access lanes, rivers, and streams must be left free of tops and debris. All trails must be left smooth and without ruts.
4. The areas are open to logging activities from **October 1 through March 31** each year.
5. Best Management Practices as described in *Iowa Forestry Best Management Practices* are to be followed particularly when working around or across water courses..
6. All creek or stream crossings will be approved prior to harvest with the Area Forester.

**For further information, contact Jeff Goerndt, Area Forester at (641) 774-4559.**

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**Amount bid for 553 trees with an estimated 85, 307 board feet of timber on the Thousand Acre unit of Stephens State Forest**

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Date \_\_\_\_\_  
signature of bidder

This bid must be signed by the person submitting the bid. Please write **“sealed bid”** on the outside of the envelope so it will not be opened by mistake.